



Top Row: Donald Oakley, Robert Bryant, Doris Bunch, Mary Catherine Hunter, Janice Miesel, Grace Benedum, Hazel Geiger, Mary Almond, Arthur Almond, Clyde Simmons. Second Row: Jacquelyn Oakley, Kermit Zopfi, Lavana Williams, Robert Williams, Henry Moeller, Ruth Simmons, Ronald Meznar. Third Row: Lucy Williams, Allen Jewett, Ruth Bunch, Emily Phillips, June Dickson, Flo Collitt. Fourth Row: Margaret Ann McKinnon, Rebecca Peck, Josephine Payne, Joyce Levengood, Albert Levengood, Frank Brill. Front Row: Cleo Frey, Ila Ruth Mahr, Alma Austin, Margaret Witzky, Gladys Meznar, Jackie Collitt, Ronnie Simmons, Wayne Snider.

### Conference Messages Emphasize Believer's Walk

"The Christian's Walk with God" was a dominating theme in the annual Bible conference held

### Bryan to Observe Christmas With Gifts-for-King Service

As a memorial to the birth of Christ, the Gifts-for-the-King service has been set for December 13. The various groups of individuals interested and actively engaged in the ministry of Bryan University are being invited to participate in this expression of praise and gratitude for the gift of God's Son.

Selections from the gifts of myrrh (personal testimonies) and frankincense (praise) will be read at the service, which is to be held in the Memorial Chapel. An announcement of the gifts of gold (financial contributions) will be made according to groups.

the last week in October. At the opening session Sunday afternoon, Dr. Graham Gilmer spoke on the power of the Holy Spirit to indwell the life that is submissive to Him. The theme was later supplemented in a message given by the Rev. Paul Van Gorder. Other expositions by these speakers included studies in the books of Ruth, Song of Solomon, and Jonah.

Dr. Homer Hammontree, known among his associates as "Ham" led the congregational singing at the evening meetings in the Rhea high school auditorium and at most of the morning services. With "Ham" leading and the Rev. Paul Beckwith at the piano, both the congregational singing and the special numbers by this pair afforded a real musical treat. Together, they introduced more than a dozen gos-

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### Seventy-six Returnees Meet For First Alumni Homecoming

Seventy-six Bryan alumni and their families, including twenty-five from out-of-town, registered for the first fall homecoming of the Bryan Alumni Association held October 23-25. Don Oakley, association president, took charge of the week-end activities, which began with a science lecture on liquid air Friday evening. Elliott James, an itinerant lecturer, demonstrated the low temperature of liquid air and explained its current uses in the industrial and the medical worlds.

Saturday morning, a group of 50 braved the brisk October weather to begin the day with an early morning breakfast on Johnson's Bluff overlooking Dayton. At morning devotions on the mountaintop, Frank Brill led in the singing of hymns and choruses, and vice-president Henry Moeller centered his comments on the significance of the daily Christian walk to manifest the indwelling Christ.

Don Oakley emceed the program presented by the alumni members at the morning chapel hour. Talks from housewife Mary Lisec Almond, teacher Lucy Williams, and nurse Margaret Ann McKinnon, and a testimony in song by pastor Robert Collitt combined to give the students and staff in attendance a brief picture of what Bryan alumni are doing.

Not quite as spry as they once were, the hastily organized alumni softballers were defeated by an opposing student team in an afternoon game on the athletic field—last year's alumni project.

Evening activities included dinner in the Bryan dining hall followed by a business session in the student lounge. President Oakley announced the appointment of Mrs. Josephine Payne, graduate of 1949, to the position of executive secretary of the alumni association.



## From My Heart to You

In the last *Newsette* we told of the homegoing of our good friend and trustee, Dr. William S. Houck of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. We



shall miss Dr. Houck. He was always doing something for the university, the staff members, or the students, which manifested the love of Christ

working out through his life. At this Christmas season I am reminded of the fact that more than once he sent a generous gift to be distributed equally among all of the members of the staff. As I recall, one year when the student body was still quite small, Dr. Houck included every student in the distribution. I could recount other instances, but the above illustrates the fact that in his life the "give" of the divine nature predominated rather than the "get" of the fallen human nature.

Perhaps it is at the Christmas season that we see the greatest conflict between the principle of "give" and "get." Each year we witness the commercializing spirit of the world's "Xmas." In sharp contrast to this material emphasis is the spiritual truth many of us have learned through experience that "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

In my position in Christian work I have seen many of the Lord's own who have deliberately chosen to "give" rather than to "get." Years ago a dear mother in Pennsylvania wrote to explain what was involved in giving to the Lord's work that year. Although she and her husband had a large family of children and only a limited income from the farm, they had decided to keep the old model T Ford for another year so that they could give more generously.

More recently we received from a friend a gift of several thousand dollars which was sent in appreciation and in memory of a godly father and mother. Later, when I visited in the home of this friend (who had more than the average number of children), I was amazed to find that they were getting along without a modern gas or

electric range in the kitchen. Here was tangible evidence of a family that had learned the spiritual secret of "giving" rather than "getting."

While he was here on earth, the Lord Jesus told his disciples of the blessedness of "giving" rather than "getting."

"But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the thankful and to the evil."

"Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." Luke 6:35 and 38.

What greater reward can there be than a deep abiding consciousness of the fact that we are "children of the Highest." We become children of the Highest by "receiving" but we become aware of the love of the Father as we "give" in His name.

A merry Christmas to all of you!

JUDSON A. RUDD  
President

## State Science Academy Meets At Oak Ridge November 28

According to Paul Marsteller, Gamma Chi president, 35 to 40 members of the science department anticipated attending the annual conference of the Tennessee Academy of Science Collegiate Division November 28.

Plans for the conference, held at Oak Ridge this year, included an extended tour of the atomic energy museum, as well as the usual presentation of papers. Delegates to the conference were invited as guests of the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies.

Kenneth Sewall, Bryan senior from Bloomfield, New Jersey, is president of the collegiate academy this year. Betty-Joy Rankin, senior of Port Huron, Michigan, is editor of publications. An executive committee meeting to lay final plans for the November conference was held on the campus October 3 with Dr. Claude S. Chadwick, professor of biology at George Peabody College and liaison officer between the collegiate and graduate divisions of the academy, and Anita Owens, secretary-treasurer for the organization.

## BRYAN GETS EQUIPMENT FROM GOVERNMENT SURPLUS AGENCY IN NASHVILLE AT NINETY PER CENT SAVINGS

"For your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things."

Once each month since September, university treasurer R. G. Adams, and maintenance supervisor Calvin Jaynes, with one or two other members of the staff, have made a trip to Nashville to the State Educational Agency for Surplus Property to purchase needed equipment for the university at a small fraction of the usual cost.

Under the Tennessee Department of Education, the agency is continually receiving goods from the district commission in Atlanta, which acts as a clearing house for goods declared surplus to government needs, and which allocates portions to individual states in the district. These, in turn, are made available at approximately a 90 per cent saving to educational

institutions. Each institution is permitted to make a monthly requisition for available equipment.

Included in this new and used surplus equipment already purchased are two butcher's blocks, three Hotpoint deep fry units, and a large refrigerator, all for the use of the boarding department; office desks and chairs, filing cabinets, plumbing equipment, and dispensary equipment; and such miscellaneous items as mailbags, milk cans, paper supplies, and typewriter ribbons. As an example of the saving, typewriter ribbons, which are catalog-priced at \$1.50 each, were secured for \$.25 a dozen.

According to Mr. Adams, the trips have been highly successful, with up to a thousand per cent value for the cash investment. Truly, "God cares for his own."



## Open House Draws 150 Guests To View Progress, Activities

"Hail, friend!

The Bryan family welcomes thee,  
O guest upon the hill,  
May God's blessing thee attend;  
His love thy being fill."

More than 150 guests visited Bryan Hill at the fall open house held Sunday afternoon, November 8. Guests from Dayton, Graysville, Spring City, Chattanooga, Signal Mountain, Athens, Knoxville, Fountain City, and Nashville registered, as well as several out-of-state visitors representing Florida, Michigan, Ohio, and Virginia.

Student guides were on hand to conduct groups on a tour of the main building, each of the dormitories, and several trailer homes.

To give the visitors a condensed impression of what Bryan students learn, displays were set up and five-minute demonstrations were presented by each department. These included the English, history, psychology, Christian education, Greek and Hebrew, Spanish, music, Bible, physics, chemistry, and biology departments.

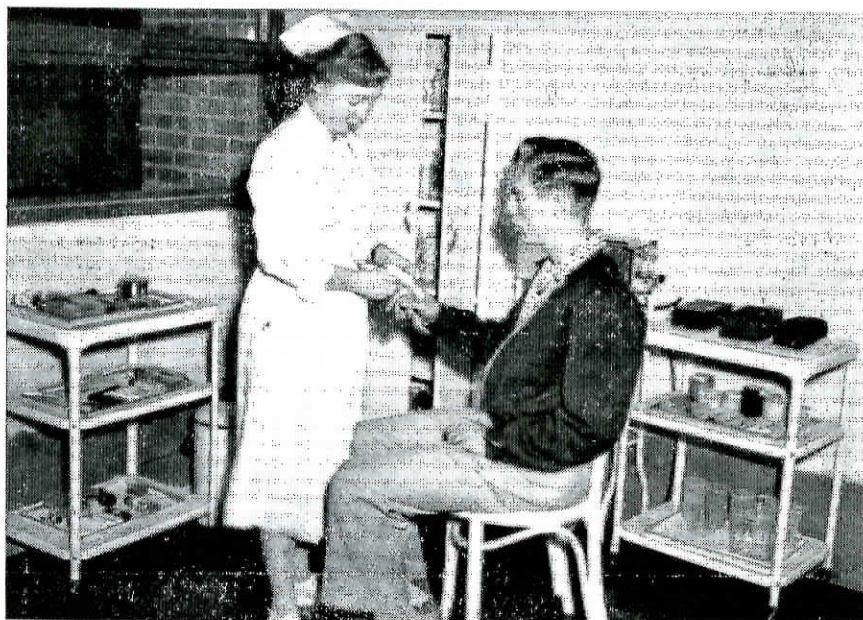
Refreshments were served in the dining hall to the guests, and David Heydenburk, music instructor, presented an organ recital of sacred and classical music in the Memorial Chapel.

## Thanksgiving Theme Follows Traditional Line At Bryan

The Rev. James Lee, Crossville, Tennessee, pastor, brought the devotional message at the prayer and praise service held Thanksgiving morning in the Memorial Chapel. A mixed octet composed of John Rathbun, James Reese, Stuart Meissner, Ronald Bensinger, Virginia Seguire, June Hively, Pearl Rathbun, and Lila Sherwood presented special musical numbers, and testimonies were given.

In the traditional afternoon contests, the southern "Rebels" challenged the northern "Yankees" in a speedball game between the girls, and a touch football game between the fellows at the Rhea high school stadium.

Nearly 300 joined together for the annual banquet in the evening, which was climaxed by the film, "Reaching from Heaven," a motion picture on the Christian life.



Administering first-aid is an everyday occurrence for Mrs. Emil Frey, university nurse. Here, sophomore Ronald Bensinger of Ionia, Michigan, is the patient. Note in the background the mobile tables and sterilizing unit, part of the new dispensary equipment.

## SCHOOL DISPENSARY AVERAGES 100 PATIENTS WEEKLY; NEW EQUIPMENT, IMPROVEMENTS AID ATMOSPHERE

The facilities of present-day medical services are often overlooked until people who need such attention are suddenly faced with the reality of their need and the provision that is available. Today the practicing physician, the hospital, and the medical clinic are invaluable—their value cannot be reckoned by monetary standards.

With an average of 100 persons seeking medical attention and advice each week at Bryan's own dispensary, this department of the school plays a very important role in the life of the university.

Serving the 350 members of the present university family, the dispensary is equipped to administer first-aid, treat common disorders such as indigestion, headache, or the common cold, and to care for patients with infectious or contagious diseases.

This year, Mrs. Emil Frey, the university nurse, has been seeking to make the school dispensary fulfill a high standard in being clean, orderly, neat, and cheerful. All the odd pieces of equipment were given a fresh coat of white gloss enamel, the walls received a new paint job, a plastic tile flooring was laid, and proper lighting was installed to improve the atmos-

phere of the university's "medical headquarters."

To add to the dispensary equipment, the university was able to purchase through the government surplus agency at a very low cost three mobile tables for medical supplies and two sterilizing units.

Mrs. Frey is seeking to achieve increased efficiency in the services offered by the dispensary. She has arranged medical supplies in groups or units so that everything needed for a particular ailment will be in one place and easily accessible, with basic units assembled on trays on the movable tables.

An individual student and staff record has been started this year, too, so that a record of diagnosis and treatment can be accurately kept for each patient.

To provide rest, which is often one of the best cures for sickness, and also to isolate contagious cases, an infirmary is located in each dormitory. Presently, these rooms are equipped with "left-overs" from the dormitory furnishings, but still lack some of the necessities for full comfort. Mrs. Frey is trusting that the needs of these infirmaries—four in all—can be met in the near future as the Lord provides.



## Cross-Country Squad Loses To Maryville Tracksters

Maryville's A. C. McWilliams paced his teammates to a narrow 27-29 win over the Bryan cross-country crew in a meet held November 7 on Bryan's tough three and one-half mile course. The Bryan team was out to win this meet, having dropped a close decision at Maryville (27-28) two weeks previously.

McWilliams, with a time of 20 minutes and 45 seconds, was closely followed by Bryan's plucky Larry Hess, who finished 17 seconds behind the Maryville star. The race was still in doubt until Ed Drum of the visiting squad crossed the finish line in the vital ninth position to give Maryville the victory points.

In the November fourteenth meet, held with the University of the South at Sewanee, Tennessee, the Lions fell to a strong Sewanee team 20-37. Larry Hess came in fourth behind three Sewanee fellows, and Stuart Meissner, Dick Ruble, and Ev Boyce finished sixth, seventh, and eighth.

## All-Stars Trounce T. T. C. 26-2 on Local Gridiron

Amid clouds of dust and cheers of fellow schoolmates, the Bryan all-star football team smashed into an opposing Tennessee Temple College line to grab a 26-2 victory November 16. Staged on the Rhea high football field, the game was the first of an exchange series between the schools.

Headed by Don Drake, offensive captain, and George Haberer, defensive captain, the team traveled to Chattanooga to beat the Templers 25-8 on their home field November 23.

## Frosh Upset Seniors; Sophs Trip Juniors In Football Finals; Undefeated Senior Girls Take Speedball Championship

Two upsets marked the closing day of the intramural football season at Bryan November 2. In the wide-open first game, the underdog freshmen came up with their best effort and first win of the year in dumping a 32-20 defeat into the lap of the rugged seniors. A spirited sophomore team swept the classy juniors to their first loss of the season 24-0 in the final well-played tilt.

### BIBLE CONFERENCE

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pel songs and choruses and also suggested several ways of using gospel music effectively in Christian service. Their ministry of the Word was equally impressive as they spoke in the morning hours and in the evening evangelistic services.

More local people were able to share in the conference blessings this year as a result of having the evening sessions in a Dayton auditorium. An all-musical program on the final Sunday afternoon featured several combinations of students and staff members in addition to the Hammontree-Beckwith team and the first appearance this fall of the a cappella choir.

Each morning during the conference week a half-hour program was conducted over the Rev. T. Perry Brannon's Radio Revival on radio station WAPO in Chattanooga.

Representatives of the Fishers of Men Christian businessmen's organization presented a special program Tuesday morning of the conference. J. B. Mason of Lynchburg, Virginia, national president, and W. L. Henrickson of Spartanburg, South Carolina, field director and national treasurer, were introduced. Tom Roper, a businessman of Columbia, Mississippi, was guest speaker for the service.

The afternoon's results left the season standings as follows:

Teams	Won	Lost	Tied
Juniors	4	1	1
Sophomores	3	1	2
Seniors	1	3	2
Freshmen	1	4	1

In closing speedball contests between the girls, both games ended tied. The scores were seniors 2, freshmen 2; and juniors 8, sophomores 8. Final standings for the season are as follows:

Seniors	4	0	2
Juniors	2	2	2
Sophomores	1	2	3
Freshmen	0	3	3

## Sheffield, Ashley Rate Honors On Mid-Quarter Dean's List

Two juniors, Martha Sheffield of St. Louis, Missouri, and Seymour Ashley of Phoenix, Arizona, attained the Dean's List for the first six weeks' period of the fall quarter, which ended October 24. The list requires a 2.5 or straight "A" average.

Topping the Honor List, which is composed of those ranking scholastically in the upper ten per cent of students, is John Kramer, a sophomore of Tell City, Indiana.

Others on the list are Nadine Schick, Patricia Ross, Lois Ashley, Alice McLeod, Robert Clouse, Joseph Henry, Charles Willoughby, Joy Ann Leslie, Thomas Taylor, Wilbur Pickering, Myra Conner, Betty Starring, Helen Piper, Darwin Neddo, Lenora Gearhart, Shirley Jurliss, Martha King, Georgene Friedrich, G. Earl Hamilton, Judith King, James Dickson, Dorothy Underwood, and Joeann Enyart.

### GIFT INCOME FOR OCTOBER 1953

GIFT REPORT	OPERATIONS	BUILDING FUND
Gift budget per month	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Gift budget deficit, Sept. 30	6,219.01	11,532.50
Currently needed in gifts	11,219.01	16,532.50
Gift income for Oct.	4,939.47	2,689.57
Gift budget deficit, Oct. 31	\$6,279.54	\$13,842.93

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